

In the evening, the President returned to Washington, DC.

The President announced his intention to name Roland W. Betts as a member of the New York Committee on the Olympic Games Board of Directors.

February 11

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The President announced his intention to nominate C. David Welch to be Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs.

The President announced his intention to nominate John B. Bellinger III to be Legal Advisor at the Department of State.

The President announced his intention to nominate R. Nicholas Burns to be Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

The following list does not include promotions of members of the Uniformed Services, nominations to the Service Academies, or nominations of Foreign Service officers.

Submitted February 8

Brig. Gen. William T. Grisoli, USA, to be a member of the Mississippi River Commission.

Submitted February 10

Robert B. Zoellick, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of State, vice Richard Lee Armitage, resigned.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released February 7

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Fact sheet: The 2006 Budget: Meeting the Nation's Priorities

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of Management and Budget Director Josh Bolten on the FY 2006 budget

Transcript of a press briefing by Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Director Jim Towey on how the FY 2006 budget continues to support partnerships between faith- and community-based groups and Government

Released February 8

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of remarks by the First Lady at a Helping America's Youth event

Statement by the Press Secretary: President Bush To Welcome President Basescu of Romania

Fact sheet: Ensuring America's Prosperity

Released February 9

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by Brig. Gen. John R. Allen, USMC, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Alan P. Larson, Under Secretary of State for Economic, Business, and Agricultural Affairs, Andrew S. Natsios, Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development, and Paul D. Wolfowitz, Deputy Secretary of Defense, on Indian Ocean tsunami recovery efforts

Statement by the Press Secretary: President Bush Announces Solidarity Initiative To Support Our Partners in Freedom

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kentucky

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kansas

Fact sheet: Setting the Record Straight: Medicare Drug Benefit Estimates Unchanged

Fact sheet: Continuing Support for Tsunami Relief

Released February 10

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary: Transition of Power in Togo

Fact sheet: Strengthening Social Security for the 21st Century

Released February 11

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

**Acts Approved
by the President**

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.